

**LEGISLATIVE DIGEST  
OF THE  
RUTHERFORD COUNTY  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**Thursday, August 13, 2009**

- A.** Mr. Chairman, Ernest Burgess, called the regular session of the Rutherford County Board of Commissioners to order at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, August 13, 2009, in the Courtroom of the Rutherford County Courthouse in Murfreesboro, Tennessee.
- B.** Commissioner Doug Shafer led the invocation.
- C.** Commissioner Rick Hall led the pledge to our flag.
- D.** Twenty-one (21) commissioners of the Rutherford County Board of Commissioners were present for the opening of the Legislative Meeting.
- E.** The June 26, 2009, Legislative Meeting Minutes were adopted.
- F. PUBLIC COMMENTS:**  
Donald Todd presented his comments for the record. He is opposed to raising taxes.

**G. RESOLUTION OF SYMPATHY**

- 1. Adopted in honor of Steve Fitzhugh
- 2. Adopted in honor of Talmadge Gilley

**H. ELECTIONS & CONFIRMATIONS**

- 1. The Notary applicants were approved.
- 2. Craig Lynch was confirmed and reappointed to the Planning Commission.
- 3. Ed Davenport and Randall Matlock were confirmed and reappointed to the Industrial Development Board and Health, Education and Facilities Board.
- 4. A vacancy was announced on the Equalization Board to fill the unexpired term of Talmadge Gilley (expires April, 2010).
- 5. Three (3) vacancies were announced on the Codes Enforcement Board.
- 6. It was announced the Chairman-Pro-Tem election would be held at the September County Commission meeting.
- 7. It was announced the Commission Chaplain will be elected at the September Commission meeting.
- 8. County Mayor Ernest Burgess was tentatively elected Commission Chairman. The Official election will be held at the September Commission meeting.

9. Commissioners Rogers, Black, Farley, Jeff Jordan, Coggin, Sandlin, and Phillips were nominated and elected by acclamation to the Steering Committee.

**I. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- A. None

**J. PUBLIC HEARINGS – 6:30 P.M.**

1. A Rezoning and Conditional Use Permit Request, 09-A010, Franklin Road, submitted by Bruce Barrett, was approved with conditions.
2. A Rezoning and Conditional Use Permit Request, 09-A011, 8999 Almadale Road, submitted by Kayla Rushing, was amended and approved with conditions.
3. A Rezoning and Conditional Use Permit Request, 09-A012, 7692 Barlow Road, submitted by Kayla Rushing, was amended and approved with conditions. For the record: eight (8) citizens spoke in favor of the request and six (6) citizens spoke against the request.

**K. REPORTS BY STANDING COMMITTEES**

**1. PURCHASING COMMITTEE REPORT**

- A. Report approved

**2. BUDGET, FINANCE & INVESTMENT COMMITTEE**

- A. A resolution to authorize General Fund Budget Amendments was approved for:
  1. Circuit Judges
  2. Sheriff's Department/Jail (3)
  3. Drug Court
  4. Domestic Violence
  5. Miscellaneous
- B. Authorization was provided to execute a grant contract with the Tennessee Historical Commission
- C. A resolution to authorize an amendment to the Ambulance Service Fund was approved.
- D. A resolution to authorize a 'Self-Funded' vision program administered by CIGNA was approved.
- E. A resolution to authorize an amendment to the Capital Asset Policy to implement GASB statement 51 in regard to 'Intangible Assets' was approved.
- F. A resolution to authorize the Health and Education Facilities Board of Rutherford County to Issue Tax Exempt Revenue Bonds referencing Spring Valley Apartments was approved.

- G. Authorization was provided to execute a grant contract with the Tennessee Emergency Management Agency for a Public Assistance Grant was approved
- H. A resolution to authorize a Grant Contract with the Tennessee Department of Health for local Health Services was approved.

3. **HEALTH & EDUCATION COMMITTEE**

- A. No Report

4. **PROPERTY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

- A. No Report

5. **PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE**

- A. No Report

6. **PUBLIC WORKS & PLANNING COMMITTEE**

- A. A resolution proposing the Tennessee Department of Transportation for widening State Route 99 was approved.
- B. A resolution in support of a 45 mph speed limit on Factory Road and 30 mph on East Pitts Lane was approved.
- C. A resolution in support of a 'Drainage Easement' in Thompson Farms Subdivision and an Access and Drainage Easement in Tax Map 101, Parcel 14.0, was approved.

7. **STEERING, LEGISLATIVE & GOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE**

- A. No Report

8. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

Commissioner Sandlin explained why he voted against the budget in June and requested the Finance Director explain how/why the year-end budget increased from the meeting of June 26<sup>th</sup> to June 30. Finance Director Nolen and Mayor Burgess clearly indicated the County School Board was presented with \$1.8 million in stimulus funds just after the last Budget vote.

Commissioner Peay announced the Kittrell Ham Breakfast Saturday, August 15, as well as a Kittrell Community Reunion October 17.

Commissioner Shafer acknowledged and thanked Highway Department Director Mike Williams, Alan Miller and the Correctional Work Center, La Vergne Mayor Ronnie Irwin, and La Vergne Public Works Department and Director Guy Patterson, for their efforts in clearing and cleaning the very large drainage ditch that runs from La Vergne High School.

Commissioner Sparks thanked Sally and Major Wall for their influence on citizens and his brother, Matt.

Commissioner Rodgers announced Siegel High School Band Pancake Breakfast to be held August 27. He indicated there would be a band concert and Titan ticket give-away.

Commissioner Coggin announced the Tennessee County Commission Association will Meet September 3 in Cookeville, Tennessee.

There being no further business, Mr. Chairman, Ernest Burgess, adjourned the Rutherford County Board of Commissioners Legislative Meeting. Time of adjournment was 9:07 pm

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Georgia Lynch, Rutherford County Clerk

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Rick Spence, Legislative Secretary

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